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R 192207Z JAN 77
FM AMEMBASSY SAN JOSE
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6222
INFO AMEMBASSY TEGUCIGALPA
AMEMBASSY MANAGUA
AMEMBASSY SAN SALVADOR
AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA
AMEMBASSY BELIZE
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C O N F I D E N T I A L SAN JOSE 0268

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, CS
SUBJECT: BELIZE DISPUTE

1. PRESIDENT ODUBER TOLD ME JAN 18 THAT HE ENVISAGED
THE FOLLOWING SCENARIO IN ARRIVING AT A SOLUTION TO
THE BELIZE DISPUTE. A LATIN AMERICAN MILITARY FORCE
COMPOSED ESSENTIALLY OF PANAMANIAN NATIONAL GUARD UNITS
WOULD REPLACE THE BRITISH FORCE CURRENTLY IN BELIZE.
UK WOULD THEN GRANT INDEPENDENCE TO BELIZE. CONCURRENTLY, GUATEMALA
AND BELIZE WOULD ENTER INTO BORDER NEGOTIATIONS,
WITH BELIZE BEING PREPARED TO MAKE MINOR TERRITORIAL
CESSIONS, AND BELIZE WOULD BE INVITED
TO JOIN THE CENTRAL AMERICAN COMMON MARKET. ODUBER
SAID THAT THIS SCENARIO HAS BEEN AGREED TO BY THE
GOP, THE GOB AND HMG. HE FELT CERTAIN THAT
GOG COULD BE PERSUADED TO ACCEPT IT BECAUSE A MAJOR
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EMOTIONAL OBSTACLE TO A SETTLEMENT, I.E., THE BRITISH
PRESENCE, WOULD BE REMOVED.

2. COMMENT: EMBASSY SUSPECTS THAT SCENARIO
SKETCHED OUT BY ODUBER IS AT LEAST PARTIALLY BASED
ON DISCUSSIONS HE HAD WITH GEORGE PRICE WHEN PRICE
QUIETLY VISITED SAN JOSE TWO WEEKS AGO. AS DEPT

IS AWARE, ODUBER IS OCCASIONALLY INCLINED TO
REPRESENT PROPOSED SCHEMES AS AGREED-UPON COURSE
OF ACTION.
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